

December 22, 2000

D.T.E. 00-82

Petition of Boston Edison Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric for approval of its 2000 Reconciliation Filing, pursuant to G.L. c.164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4) and the Restructuring Settlement Agreement approved by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy in D.P.U./D.T.E. 96-23.

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Petitioner

## I. INTRODUCTION

On November 2, 2000, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4) and the Restructuring Settlement Agreement approved in Boston Edison Company,

D.P.U./D.T.E. 96-23 (1998), Boston Edison Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric ("BECo" or "Company") filed its 2000 Reconciliation Filing for approval by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department"). Included in that filing is a reconciliation of 1999 and 2000 transition, transmission, standard offer and default service costs and revenues, and proposed updated charges and tariffs to be effective January 1, 2001. Notice and a request for comments was issued to all the participants in Boston Edison Company, D.P.U./D.T.E. 96-23 (1998); Boston Edison Company, D.T.E. 97-113 (1998); Boston Edison Company, D.T.E. 98-111 (1999); and Boston Edison Company, D.T.E. 99-107 (1999).

On December 5, 2000, the Attorney General of the Commonwealth filed comments.

The Company responded to two sets of Department information requests.

On December 19, 2000, the Company filed revised tariffs, M.D.T.E. nos. 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946. These revised tariffs supercede and replace those tariffs BECo initially filed on November 2, 2000, as well as the Company's proposed Standard Offer tariff (M.D.T.E. No. 946).<sup>(1)</sup>

Based upon the Department's review of the Company's filing and the comments received, the Department has determined that further investigation is necessary. The Department finds, however, that the tariffs filed by the Companies on December 19, 2000, for service on and after January 1, 2001, are in compliance with Department precedent<sup>(2)</sup> and,

therefore, allowance is in the public interest. The rate changes are allowed subject to reconciliation pursuant to the Department's ongoing investigation.

## II. ORDER

The Department, after review and consideration, it is

ORDERED: That the operation of revised tariffs submitted by Boston Edison Company with the Department on December 19, 2000, M.D.T.E. Nos 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945 and 946, for service on and after January 1, 2001, be and hereby ARE ALLOWED; and it is

FURTHER ORDERED: That the transition, transmission, and standard offer and default service costs and revenues for Boston Edison Company are subject to reconciliation pursuant to an investigation.

By Order of the Department,

James Connelly, Chairman

W. Robert Keating, Commissioner

Paul B. Vasington, Commissioner

Eugene J. Sullivan, Jr., Commissioner

Deirdre Manning, Commissioner

1. BECo notes that its proposed Standard Offer Tariff (M.D.T.E. No. 946) was also filed on December 12, 2000, in compliance with Standard Offer Service Fuel Adjustment, D.T.E. 00-66, 00-67, 00-70 (December 4, 2000 Letter Order) (Company Transmittal Letter to the Department at 2 (December 19, 2000)).

2. Boston Edison Company, D.T.E 99-107 (December 17, 1999 Letter); Standard Offer Service Fuel Adjustment, D.T.E. 00-66, 00-67, 00-70 (December 4, 2000

Letter Order).